The State Government is trying its best to create cold chain facilities and promote private investment in establishment of processing facilities. Further, the Ministry of Food Processing Industries, under the plan schemes provides financial assistance upto 25% of the cost of plant and machinery and technical civil work subject to a maximum of Rs.50.00 lakhs in general areas and 33.33% upto Rs.75.00 lakhs in difficult areas including Jammu and Kashmir. For technological upgradation/modernization and establishment of food processing industries including fruit and vegetables processing industries. In the Eleventh Plan, a revamped scheme for infrastructure development has been formulated which will give enhanced level of financial assistance for setting up of Mega Food Parks, Cold Chain Infrastructure, modernization of abattoirs, setting up of quality control laboratory etc.

Export of food items

160. SHRI SU. THIRUNAVUKKARASAR: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) what are the major processed food items being exported to different countries; and

(b) what is the amount of foreign exchange earned through export of processed food items during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY) : (a) Sir, the major processed food items being exported to different countries are processed fruit and vegetables, Guar Gum, Jaggery and Confectionery, Cereal Preparation, Alcoholic Beverages, Miscellaneous Preparations- (Which include Ready to Serve products, snack foods, breakfast foods etc.) Frozen Shrimp, Frozen Fish, Frozen Cuttle Fish/Squid, Frozen Lobster etc.

(b) The amount of Foreign Exchange earned through the export of processed food items during the last three years is as below:-

Year	Rs. in Crores
2004-05	10212.29
2005-06	12329.85
2006-07	14501.58

Supplementary nutrition to adolescent girls

161. SHRIMATI T. RATNA BAI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that a large number of people are unable even to send their daughters to schools in the country, especially in the East and West Godavari and Visakhapatnam areas in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;